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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR 1.53(b) are the specification and claims of the nonprovisional patent application of:

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SQUARYLIUM-METAL CHELATE COMPOUNDS AND OPTICAL RECORDING MEDIA

Title of Invention

APPLICATION ELEMENTS ENCLOSED:

1. X Specification, total pages 58 including:
 - a. 7 pages of claims (20 claims)
 - b. 2 page(s) Abstract
2. X 2 sheets of informal X formal drawings (Figs. 1-3C)
3. Oath or declaration of Applicant(s) (total pages)
 - a. Newly executed (original)
 - b. Unexecuted
 - c. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Item 14 completed)
4. Deletion of Inventor(s)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)
5. Incorporation By Reference
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied in item 3b is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
6. Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

APPLICATION PARTS ENCLOSED:

7. An assignment (cover sheet & document(s))
8. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (*when there is an assignee*)
9. Power of Attorney
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10. ___ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449

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11. ___ A Preliminary Amendment

12. X Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)

13. ___ Applicant(s) hereby establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27

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15. ___ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line of page one: --This is a ___ continuation
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16. X Priority of application No. 2003-034358 filed in Japan on February 12, 2003. Applicants hereby claim
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X A certified copy of priority application No. 2003-034358 is enclosed herewith.

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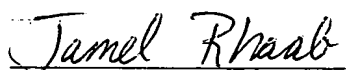
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